

REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

Claims 6, 9 and 10 are requested to be canceled.

Claim 1 is currently being amended.

This amendment adds, changes and/or deletes claims in this application. A detailed listing of all claims that are, or were, in the application, irrespective of whether the claim(s) remain under examination in the application, is presented, with an appropriate defined status identifier.

After amending the claims as set forth above, claims 1-5, 7-8 and 11 are now pending in this application.

Entry Of Amendments

This amendment complies with the Examiner's conditions for allowance, and is thus enterable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116. It was presented as soon as possible after the finding that claim 6 was allowable if amended.

Abstract

The Office Action objected to the Abstract for not being presented on a separate page. A replacement Abstract is presented as a separate page attached to this submission. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Drawings

The Office Action objected to the Drawings for not presenting claims 9 and 10. Claims 9 and 10 have been canceled. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants thank the Examiner for the indication of allowable subject matter in claim 6. Independent claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claim 6. Withdrawal of the rejections is therefore respectfully requested.

Applicant believes that the present application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration of the application as amended is respectfully requested.


The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing or a credit card payment form being unsigned, providing incorrect information resulting in a rejected credit card transaction, or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

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Respectfully submitted,

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